

what we are proposing in this bill. This money will be dedicated for the counties and the cities, 50 percent to the counties, 50 percent to the cities. Sixty-three percent of our roads in this state are county roads, and just a little bit below that are also for cities, so the majority of roads in this state are both county and city. This will simply help counties deal with their budget because I think with the ag land valuation some of the counties have gone down, their valuation, so by simply adding this penny will help them in the county budget because they are living under a limitation. So I would support you advancing this bill, ask for your support. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Haberman, then Senator Chambers, but may I introduce some guests please. In the south balcony, Senator Carsten has some guests and there are 14 K through 8th graders from Baker School in Dunbar, Nebraska with their teacher. Would all of you folks stand, please, and be recognized. Thank you for visiting the Legislature this afternoon. Senator Haberman, please.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator "Hartneck", would you yield to a few questions please.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Hartnett is the name.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Senator Hartneck did Sarpy County...that is where Bellevue is located, isn't it?

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Hartnett.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Hartnett.

SENATOR HABERMAN: You are located in Sarpy County?

SENATOR HARTNETT: Yes.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Did your valuation go up or down on ag land valuations?

SENATOR HARTNETT: Up.

SENATOR HABERMAN: What are special fuels? You are raising the tax on those, too.